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SUBJ: SPOKESMAN SAYS KENNEDY STATEMENTS AIMED AT ELECTIONS

1. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTION FROM NEWSMEN, JUNTA PRESS SPOKESMAN FEDERICO WILLOUGHBY ON JULY 24 ASCRIBED ELECTORAL MOTIVES TO STATEMENTS ADVERSE TO CHILE IN OPENING JULY 23 HEARINGS OF SENATE SUBCOMMITTEE ON REFUGEES AND MIGRATION. FULL TEXT OF WILLOUGHBY'S REMARKS CARRIED USINFO (SANTIAGO DTG 251520Z) EXCEPT FOR COMMENT THAT STATEMENTS BY SENATOR KENNEDY AND OTHER US POLITICIANS FOLLOW IN WAKE OF DECISION PRESIDENT NIXON TO DOUBLE US ASSISTANCE TO LATIN AMERICA, WHICH APPEARS IN GOC OFFICIAL RELEASE. STATEMENT CARRIED IN ALL NEWSPAPERS AND ON MEDIA TODAY JULY 25. TO MANY CHILEAN READERS, WILLOUGHBY COMMENTS ARE FIRST NEWS OF KENNEDY STATEMENT, SINCE ONLY MERCURIO CARRIED JULY 24 BRIEF AP STORY ON HEARINGS IN WHICH KENNEDY STATEMENT AND THAT OF DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY HARRY SHLAUDEMAN SUMMARIZED. NO EDITORIAL COMMENT, BUT WE UNDERSTAND SOME CURRENTLY BEING PREPARED. USIS HAS ISSUED SHLAUDEMAN TEXT, IN SPANISH TRANSLATION.

2. EARLIER JULY 24, PAO CALLED WILLOUGHBY ON ANOTHER MATTER AND WAS TOLD CONSIDERATION BEING GIVEN TO RELEASE OF LETTERS BETWEEN KENNEDY AND CHIEF OF STATE AUGUSTO PINOCHET. WE HAVE NOT SEEN TEXTS BUT UNDERSTAND THEY ARE TOUGH (SANTIAGO 3741). SO FAR THEY HAVE NOT BEEN RELEASED HERE.

3. FROM COMMENTS MADE TO AMBASSADOR AND EMBOFFS THROUGHOUT
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DAY JULY 24, WE KNOW THAT CHILEAN EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON SENT

MESSAGE ON HEARINGS EXPRESSING SHOCK AND DISMAY RE VIEWS EX-
PRESSED BY FORMER AMBASSADOR RALPH DUNGAN.
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